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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 5.4% IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 17, 1990 -- Airline passenger traffic increased 5.4 percent in July, compared with the same month last year, and was up 6.2 percent for the first seven months of 1990, the Air Transport Association reported today. Passenger traffic in international service has sustained a double digit increase for the past nine months -- with 15.3 percent for July.

In domestic service, traffic increased 1.9 percent in July. Available seat miles were up 7.8 percent. The passenger load factor averaged 64.7 percent, down from 68.5 percent for July, 1989. Passenger enplanements increased 1.0 percent to 36.1 million.

In international service, traffic in July rose 15.3 percent. Available seat miles increased 9.3 percent. The load factor was 77.7 percent, compared with 73.7 percent for July 1989. 4.3 million passengers were enplaned in July, up 12.8 percent from the same period last year.

For the first seven months of 1990, domestic traffic increased 3.0 percent, and available seat miles were up 6.3 percent. The load factor decreased slightly to 60.7 percent. Passenger enplanements increased 2.3 percent, with 233.2 million passengers.

International traffic for the first seven months of 1990 was up 16.9 percent. The available seat miles increased 10.8 percent, and the load factor averaged 69.6 percent. The number of passengers increased 13.4 percent to 23.7 million.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JULY 1990 - 1989

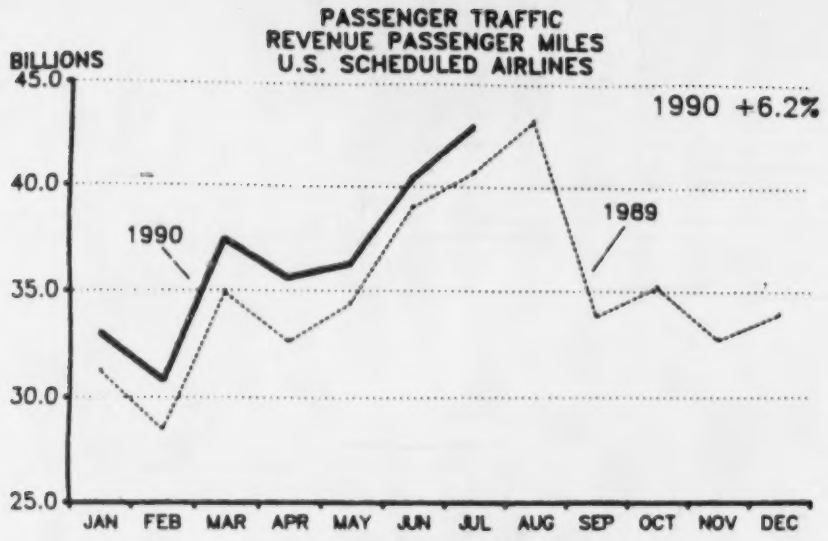
	JULY			YEAR TO DATE		
	1989	1990	PERCENT CHANGE	1989	1990	PERCENT CHANGE
DOMESTIC						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	35,769	36,127	1.0	227,940	233,168	2.3
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	29,931,501	30,494,339	1.9	184,491,364	189,949,189	3.0
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	43,681,457	47,103,684	7.8	294,473,752	312,892,519	6.3
LOAD FACTOR (%)	68.5	64.7		62.7	60.7	
INTERNATIONAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	3,783	4,268	12.8	20,877	23,673	13.4
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	10,798,931	12,451,042	15.3	56,847,008	66,452,264	16.9
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	14,662,463	16,019,504	9.3	86,197,399	95,506,948	10.8
LOAD FACTOR (%)	73.7	77.7		65.9	69.6	
TOTAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	39,552	40,395	2.1	248,817	256,841	3.2
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	40,730,432	42,945,381	5.4	241,338,372	256,401,453	6.2
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	58,343,920	63,123,188	8.2	380,671,151	408,399,467	7.3
LOAD FACTOR (%)	69.8	68.0		63.4	62.8	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, SOUTHWEST TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, HAWAIIAN, AND MIDWAY.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

MONTH	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	LOAD FACTOR	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1989				
January	31,233,373	55,626,606	56.1	32,241
February	28,460,057	50,060,766	56.9	30,574
March	34,949,316	53,714,303	65.1	37,184
April	32,591,371	52,385,110	62.2	34,415
May	34,393,235	54,843,173	62.7	35,826
June	38,980,588	55,697,273	70.0	39,025
July	40,730,432	58,343,920	69.8	39,552
August	43,233,256	59,457,357	72.7	42,042
September	33,818,820	55,656,890	60.8	33,668
October	35,184,080	56,629,766	62.1	36,562
November	32,731,343	54,079,022	60.5	34,941
December	33,944,475	56,649,615	59.9	34,322
TOTAL 1989	420,250,346	663,143,801	63.4	430,852
Jan - July 1989	241,338,372	380,671,151	63.4	248,317
1990				
January	33,004,049	57,501,152	57.4	33,019
February	30,761,358	52,024,042	59.1	32,155
March	37,416,889	58,727,893	63.7	38,800
April	35,613,709	57,509,004	61.9	36,713
May	36,287,185	59,569,992	60.9	36,606
June	40,372,882	59,944,196	67.4	39,153
July	42,945,381	63,123,188	68.0	40,395
TOTAL 1990	256,401,453	408,399,467	62.8	256,841

	PERCENT CHANGE		
	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1990/1989			
July	5.4	8.2	2.1
Jan - July	6.2	7.3	3.2


PASSENGER TRAFFIC
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES
BILLIONS
45.0
40.0
35.0
30.0
25.0
1990 +6.2%
1990
1989
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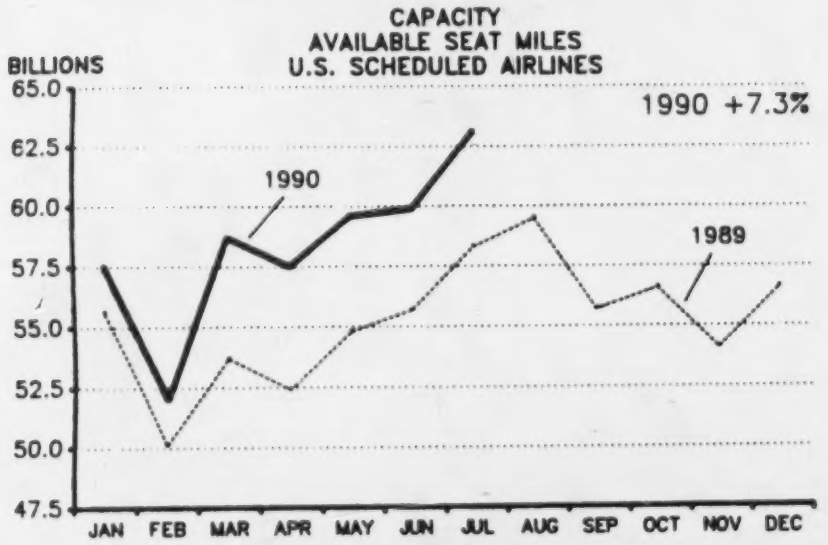
CAPACITY
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES
BILLIONS
65.0
62.5
60.0
57.5
55.0
52.5
50.0
47.5
1990 +7.3%
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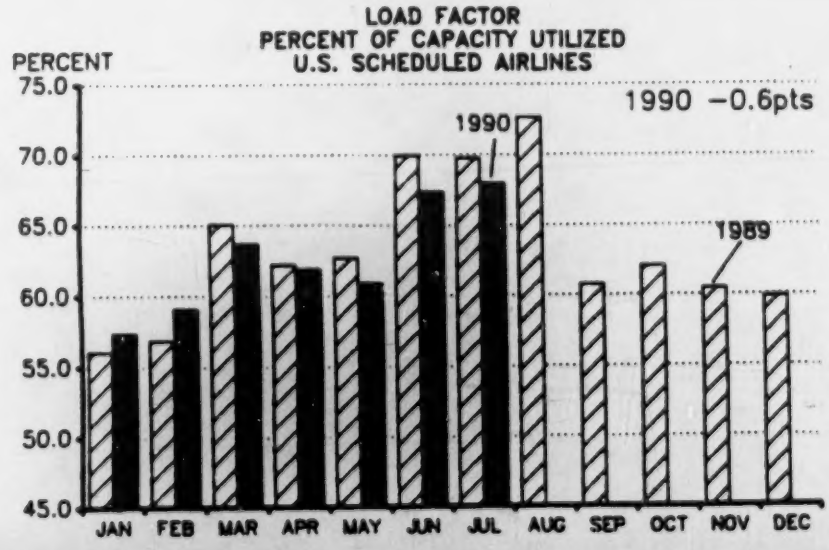
LOAD FACTOR
PERCENT OF CAPACITY UTILIZED
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES
PERCENT
75.0
70.0
65.0
60.0
55.0
50.0
45.0
1990 −0.6pts
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